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NOTES AND COMMENTS

We have completed one full year THE PACIFIC as a news sheet and a popular price. Many of the subscriptions will expire within the next o or three months. At the low ice we cannot afford to send notices king for renewals and the postal thorities will not allow us to carry y great number of delinquencies. e must depend upon the individual bscriber or the busy pastor to see at renewals are sent in promptly.

To aid pastors and churches in get- ng renewals and new subscribers we ve had printed a small envelope ith the place for name and address. e will furnish these on application d suggest that at some social or ell attended church gathering they distributed and subscriptions so- cited. The Superintendent tried it t at an Association meeting and got turns from just one half of those ho were at the tables. The balance ere either paid up or planning to use e method on their return.

On a recent trip north arrange- ents were made to sell the old urch and parsonage at Cottonwood. oth are in bad state of repair and nnot be used. The Baptist Church serving the community.

On the same trip a conference was eld with the church at Paradise, oking toward the building of a par- h house as the Sunday school is rowding the church building and ere are increasing demands for a lace to hold social gatherings. The hurch has two large and command- g lots on which to build and a small ut growing building fund to start he project.

On a recent trip to the Valley a onference was held with the officials f the Ripon church in which they lan to double the capacity of their resent building to care for their rowing work. This church came to elf support with the return of Rev. . Morse Dryer as the pastor and at- ractive improvements have already een made in the interior of the uilding. With one day's notice the committee brought out about 100 to neet the superintendent and gave an ttractive program with a social hour n connection with the business meet- ng.

The church at Lockeford has made reat improvements in its property nd conferred with the superintend- nt relative to a federation with the Methodist church of that town. For- mal action will be taken soon. The articles of agreement are simple and likely to be workable. At present there is no resident minister in the community.

BOOKED FOR SAILING

Miss Emma B. Lueders, a new appointee to North China is to sail April 4th on the "President Pierce."

Miss Anna Isabel Fox is scheduled to leave on the "President Wilson" May 2nd returning to our mission in Cagayan, Mindanao, P. I.

OUR DEVOTIONS

Prayer clears the vision; quiets the nerves; defines duty; strengthens purpose; sweetens the spirit and fortifies the soul. The unusued forces of nature are great; the unused forces of prayer are still greater. Prayer relates the soul to the infinite resources of the Divine.

Jesus knew the secret of strength. From prayer he went to face the great crisis; through prayer he gained the victory. Can man do better than follow his example?

The home is the place of refreshment. He is wisest who makes it most of all a place of spiritual renewal in which the Bible is kept open that the soul may be bathed constantly in its refreshing streams.

Greatness of soul is found in the secret place where through quiet meditation the spirit touches God. Thus man practices the presence of God.

"Wait on the Lord, be of good courage and He shall strengthen thy heart. Wait, I say, on the Lord."

Charles L. Goodell.

NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK

Ministers are asked to give special attention to music on the opening Sunday of National Music Week, May 3 to 9, through a special sermon on the subject. The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and the State Church Federations are cooperating to promote this movement because of its refining influence upon the home and family life, it being as well a molding influence in our national character. Not only have churches throughout the country cooperated, but schools, women's clubs, music leagues, industrial plants, theatres and other organizations have also recognized the importance of the week and have given hearty cooperation.

A copy of a remarkable sermon on music by Henry Ward Beecher, and a pamphlet on "Music in Worship and the Relation of Minister and Organist" may be secured by writing to the National Music Week Committee, 45 West 45th Street, New York City. "Let music," said Oliver Wendell Holmes, "be as much a part of a day's routine as eating, or reading or working."

MISSIONARIES RETURN HOME

Dr. Lucy P. Bement and her sister, Miss Frances K. Bement, of the Shaowu Mission, arrived on the "President Pierce," Tuesday the 24th. Rev. and Mrs. George H. Hubbard of Foochow were expected on the same steamer but word reached us before its arrival of the sudden death in Foochow of Mrs. Hubbard just before time of sailing. Mr. Hubbard will delay his coming for probably a month.

AN APPEAL FOR SMALL CHAIRS

Report comes from the Fairfax Church that the Primary Department is growing and the need of some two dozen small chairs is being felt. If any church group has a few primary chairs that are not in use, and would care to donate or sell them at a low price to the Fairfax Church, will they please notify Superintendent Minchin, 421 Phelan Bldg., San Francisco, or Rev. A. C. Bowdish, Fairfax, California.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION MEETS

When Moderator White of Stockton called Central Association together at Salida, April 2-3 he met large delegations and visitors from the surrounding towns. A strong program had been prepared, the first session being devoted to the Woman's work. This was led by Mrs. James Hazlett of Stockton. Mrs. Helen Rannay and Mrs. W. J. Hazlett of San Francisco gave comprehensive information as to the work our women are doing and the round table that followed was lively in its discussion and expression of appreciation. The sermon was preached by Rev. Charles H. Stevens of Lodi and was followed by Communion. This hour was one of spiritual refreshment.

On the following day matters of business engaged the morning excepting a round table led by Superintendent Minchin. At this time the Association accepted the responsibility of promoting the every-member-canvass this fall and organized to that end. The afternoon exercises consisted of an address on Evangelism by Prof. Fred A. Schilp and another from Prof. George H. Culliver, both men coming from the College of the Pacific. The meeting closed with an effective prayer service led by Rev. George E. Atkinson. The new moderator is Mr. Willard Robinson of Lodi and the Registrar is Mr. Elmer Lamb of Ceres.

RIO VISTA DEDICATES ORGAN

On Sunday, April 5th, a large audience gathered for the dedication services of an Austin organ of the Chorophone type, with the addition of chimes. It is a five stop organ with a beautiful soft tone and wonderfully suited to a small auditorium. Two artists were brought from San Francisco, namely, Mr. R. F. Tilton, an accomplished organist and Mr. Frank Mueller with a delightful tenor voice. Each of these men gave five numbers, while Mrs. Markham of Rio Vista sang Faure's rendering of the Palms and a vested choir gave a Processional and a Recessional. It was a high day in this church marred only by the illness of the beloved pastor, Rev. Arthur Bunce, who is critically ill at the California Sanitarium in Belmont.

In the evening another musical program was given, when Mr. H. Hamlin, who installed the organ, gave several numbers and the vested choir and a local quartette delighted another good audience. Superintendent Minchin presided at both services, giving an interpretative reading of two psalms as illustration of the song that is at the heart of religion.

The new parish house and reconstructed church with the addition of the new organ is a great asset to Rio Vista and a credit to those who have planned so long and so wisely that they might secure a high grade plant and equipment.

"The problems which in this new order of life present themselves will not be solved except through a greater and constantly greater projection of the spirit of neighborship and cooperation, which is the true basis of the Christian code."—Calvin Coolidge.

AS WE GO TO PRESS

We give most cordial welcome to Rev. Frank W. Hodgdon, who comes to live in California. He will divide his labors between the Pacific School of Religion and the work of the Pilgrim Memorial Fund. His ability as a preacher will add much to the training of theologues and his winning personality will mean open homes and open churches all along the coast. We also welcome his most capable wife. She is a master in music and music organization. She will aid in lifting musical ideals in church and Sunday school.

We have just received word from Boston that the Religious Education Society will soon send to the San Francisco office Rev. John C. Prince as a Director of Religious Education for the Northern California Conference. This is most excellent news and we stand ready to give to him a most gracious reception and speed his efforts in creating a new interest in our young people and revitalizing the entire work of our church schools. If he sends you a letter consider that this has introduced him to you. He will work in connection with our Committee on Religious Education whose chairman is Dr. Miles B. Fisher.

It is urged that church clerks be prepared with brief reports at the coming meeting of Bay Association which meets at Park Church Berkeley, Tuesday, April 14.

We are also reminded that we must correct a mistake in the last number. The date of our Conference is JULY 27 to AUGUST 3. It will be an all family affair. The program committee will soon get its program in shape. Make immediate plans to attend in families. Be sure that delegates are duly appointed from each church that our voting may be legal and orderly.

Boulevard Church, Oakland, has called Rev. Carl Stackman of Denver as their pastor. We hope that he accepts. They have also secured option on new lots on the north side of the Boulevard, not far from the present site. There is every prospect of our getting a strong suburban church in that part of Oakland.

AND STILL THEY GROW!

Figures given last month regarding the remarkable growth of Christian Endeavor in California for the past seven months should be revised "upward" according to the latest authoritative word on the subject. The net gain in societies should read 146 instead of 133. And an additional item of interest to our readers is that 41 of the new Christian Endeavor Societies making up this grand total are listed as being in Congregational Churches.

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The Conference rates for accommodations are the same as last year, special rates being provided for children under eight. For less than conference period the rates for adults are slightly higher and computed by the day. There will be a charge of twenty-five cents each way for trunks and ten cents each way for suit cases and hand baggage. Following is a schedule of rates:

Board and Lodging

Buildings	Six day Conf. Period	Per day Less than Period
Tenthouses		
Two in a room, each	12.00	2.25
One in a room	15.00	2.75
Enclosed Houses 6 & 7		
Two in a room, each	13.50	2.50
One in a room	16.50	3.00
Guest Inn		
Two in a room, each	15.00	2.75
One in a room	18.00	3.25
Guest Lodge		
Two in a room, each	18.00	3.50
One in a room	22.50	4.00

PASTORAL CHANGES

Rev. G. Southwell Brett has resigned from the pastorate at Antioch, to take effect June 1.

Rev. Samuel C. Carson has been called to Alturas and has already begun work there. He resigned his pastorate at Oleander some two or three months ago.

Rev. F. A. Bissell has resigned from the pastorate at Sunnyvale.

Upon Rev. W. E. Eckles' request the Campbell church has granted him a four months' leave of absence, that he might attend to personal matters elsewhere. During his absence the pulpit will be supplied by Rev. W. J. Marsh of Ojai, California.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS' CLUB

Eleven a. m., Mondays, First San Francisco, in pastor's study, (entrance on Mason Street).

April 13th—No meeting.

April 20th—Discussion "Practical Application of the Evangelistic Message." Opened by Rev. Harry S. McCready. Rev. R. C. Waddell.

April 27th—Mr. Wilbur S. Tupper. "Religious and Social Conditions and Outlook in Mexico."

May 4th—Annual picnic, ministers and wives.

A MISSIONARY CRUISE TO ALASKA

Among the many delightful excursions and trips to home and foreign mission fields offered by the Missionary Education Movement is a cruise to Alaska this summer, sailing from Los Angeles July 31st, San Francisco, August 1st, and Seattle August 5th.

Added to the usual motives for visiting this most interesting section of our country is the opportunity of seeing, at first hand, some of the home missionary work being done by several of the Denominations.

In fact, the latter is the real reason for the Missionary Education Movement rendering a travel service, since its function is to disseminate missionary information and education for all the Boards of Missions and it has adopted for its motto the old Chinese proverb "One seeing is worth a hundred tellings." It has already conducted a number of missionary tourist parties to the Orient with uniform success and is now offering an annual program of travel to the principal missionary countries of the world.

The cost of the Alaska cruise will be from $165 up, according to the length of the trip and point of departure. Everything is first class and the prices include every item of expense.

The steamers used are the largest and most up to date on the Pacific Coast and outside staterooms will be furnished to those who register at once.

Men of experience and ability will accompany the party and everything possible will be done for the comfort, pleasure and profit of those who go.

This cruise offers an ideal vacation at a reasonable price, together with an insight into the work of Christian missions in Alaska that will be invaluable.

Early registration is necessary in order to hold the splendid steamer reservations secured, which will be appreciated by all who know the difficulty of obtaining desirable accommodations during the summer months.

For reservations and further information address

John Cobb Worley, Travel Secretary,
Missionary Education Movement
517 Western Mutual Life Bldg.,
Los Angeles, or
150 Fifth Ave., New York City.

SHALL WE MERGE OUR SOCIETIES?

It has been suggested that the inquiries of the Commission on Missions be considered and discussed at the Spring Meetings of the Associations and the reaction of the Associations be sent to Dr. Day. Below you will find the list of questions.

Questions for Discussion

The Committee of Twelve is most anxious to receive constructive suggestions from all quarters. A revised report of the Committee will be furnished probably immediately after its meeting in May. There will be two meetings of the Committee before that of the National Council, and in connection with the meeting of the National Council ample provision will be made for hearings and discussions. In the meantime the Committee will welcome communications from pastors, laymen, women, churches, associations, conferences, etc.

There are some specific questions to be considered from the standpoint of the pastor particularly.

1. Would a fourfold or fivefold organization, as above, facilitate your handling of missionary interests? Would it be better still if there were only two or even one society? Would the advantages of the latter plan justify the difficulties in organization and administration.

2. Would there be advantage if you could confer with one promotional office rather than with several about missionary matters? Would it help you to be able to get literature and stereopticon sets for all causes from a single office?

3. Would it facilitate the work of the state benevolence committee if it could deal with one committee representing all national interests instead of several? Would you fear less initiative on the part of a joint committee on behalf of a given cause?

4. Would the Societies lose out under such common promotion, especially in their approach to individuals?

5. Would one denominational paper, with a monthly magazine number as above, be more useful in your work than the present arrangement? If the present arrangement is better, is it enough better to justify the subsidies of approximately $50,000?

6. Would the women of your churches lose their interest under the proposed arrangement?

7. Approximately one half of the total income of the American Board comes from individuals through direct gifts, wills endowments, etc. Would the cultivation of this personal interest be less effective through a combined journal?

These matters may well be discussed in gatherings of ministers, by the churches themselves, by associations, by state conferences, always being cautious to see that there is a clear understanding of what the proposals are and what is involved, and that final passage of resolutions should be withheld until information can be secured if there is any doubt as to facts.

Communications should be addressed to the Chairman of the Committee, Rev. William Horace Day, 25 Court Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

QUESTIONS ABOUT RACE

In the several series of Race Relation Institutes, which have been conducted during the past year by Secretary Hinman of the American Missionary Association, some interesting questions have been proposed by members of the audiences. All of these are bona fide inquiries made from the floor and answered as a part of the class work.

1. If our Saviour had been born a black man, would Christianity ever have spread over the world as it has?

2. Does fair treatment for Orientals mean free immigration.

3. Since you talk about racial equality, would you like to have your daughter marry a nigger?

4. Does "assimilation" mean intermarriage?

5. Would not a Negro lose his respect for you if you ate with him or treated him as an equal?

6. Is it true that only Negroes with some white blood have any desire for education and progress?

The following are some of the questions which Dr. Hinman has put up to his classes:

1. Would you rather be born blind or black?

2. What would you be willing to do in the way of service for a Negro or a Japanese?

3. What did Lincoln mean when he said, "No man will ever be president who spells Negro with two g's"?

4. In the case of an educated and cultured Negro would you be willing to have him sit beside you at table or prefer to have him stand behind you?

5. Could you talk freely with a person of another race without making him conscious of the racial difference?

6. What is race prejudice?

THE WASHINGTON MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

The missionary leaders of the world have held international inter-denominational conferences at irregluar intervals since 1860. Such a conference was held in New York in 1900 and in Edinburgh in 1910, the plan to convene once in ten years having been adopted. The schedule was interrupted by the world war. Now the world has been so transformed by the war and the foreign mission enterprise has taken on such vast proportions, ideals and methods being so changed, it was felt the time was ripe for another gathering. Accordingly, in Washington, January 28 to February 2 of this year there came together representatives of all the boards in the United States and Canada and individuals from Great Britain, Continental Europe and the mission fields. Fifty eight denominational boards and twenty-seven other organizations operating in mission fields, were represented.

While Edinburgh Conference marked a forward movement in respect of the cooperation of missionary organizations in occupancy of the fields, Washington was most significant as evidencing growth in the reach and intensity of interest in the missionary enterprise. Four thousand selected delegates from the boards and churches of the United States and Canada and a thousand from the local churches were in attendance. The largest auditorium in the city was filled each session during the five days.

Some of the conspicuous features were:

1st—Unity of mind as to what is central, vital in this missionary business. There were sixty-one addresses. Not all were agreed as to policy and methods, but they were one in their conviction that the supreme purpose of the missionary is to make Christ known. The world needs Him, is marvelously ready and responds to the proclaiming of Him. It is getting more deeply into the consciousness of these leaders of this world enterprise that the life of the world is not transformed, that the Kingdom of Christ is not established, by creed ecclesiastical system nor the propagation of western life in the Orient. One of the speakers said: "I would not turn over my hand to Westernize the East. I trust I will give my life to Christianize it. We are not trying to make the East a pale copy of the West."

2nd. It was apparent that a radical change of methods is in process in two particulars, namely, in the attitude of missionaries toward other religions and in respect of the status of the missionary in his relation to the native church and its leaders. The day has come for which we have worked and prayed, in which there is a native independent church under its own national leaders, as obtains in Japan, China and India.

The third thing emphasized by the speakers was the necessity of Christianizing these United States.

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ST REPORT FROM BIG CREEK

gives us great pleasure to print first report that Dr. Stark sends ring the month of March. The d of Trustees will appreciate the that the contributions for the th amounted to $61.42. Dr. Stark es as follows:

began to undergo a novel experi- March 1st. My first two churches e well-established, flourishing ; my last was the reviving of a ly dead, gasping one. But Big k is a new enterprise religiously. Minchin and Rev. T. T. Giffen had e possible the opening of the new k and had aroused the villagers the coming of the new minister his wife. Rain and snow had been h in evidence all winter and have n most of the time since our ar- l. But in anticipation of our com- Old Sol put on his warmest smile typical "Big Creek Weather," as people here say, was the order of day that first Saturday afternoon. . Redinger, wife of the head en- eer, and Mrs. Robbins met us at train. Mr. Redinger planned to there but was prevented the last ment. Quite a few have told us t they would have been there too hey had known the exact time of coming. Complimentary tickets a high school play awaited us and t evening we met a goodly num- and services were announced for next morning. Forty-four were sent for the first service. The day ore on our arrival the Moose of- ed us the use of their hall, gratis, all our activities and a short time er the Masons did the same. But the Sunday School had been meet- in the Moose Hall, and as it was re centrally located, it seemed the ter choice of the two locations.

The pastor was invited to give sev- l public addresses and they helped launch the work. Over a hundred ose listened to my address the first ursday evening in the camp. The xt week I was the special speaker the starting of a Parent-Teachers sociation. And the following week as invited to give a talk before the sonic Social Club. Although the anels of publicity are very limited, there is no local newspaper and y a company used telephone, those ich the camp possesses were placed the disposal of the work. The post- ster permitted us to put up notices the entrances of the postoffice; the eater manager suggested that he a special slide announcement each ek; the Moose offered to let us put bulletin board on the front of their ilding; the high school principle lunteered to make any announce- nts I desired before the schools; d Murphey's Art Shop asked for my tices for their monthly mimeo- aphed "Art Shop News."

If it is true that cooperation can ork miracles, we should be able to rform them here. There has been splendid manifestation from all arters. The camp manager per- tted our goods to remain in the arehouse until needed and furnished atis five men and a team to move em into the house. One day one of e business men, a Jew, stopped me the street and said: "Dr. Stark, if ere is anything that I can do to lp you I want you to call on me." at has been the universal attitude.

Soon after our coming the Woman's ble Class was organized and they ve us a social afternoon. On March the community gave us a recep- on and although the night was very ormy there were 140 present.. Two the women had written original ems of welcome, which were read d several musical numbers were ven. Then the pastor was called upon for a talk. I expressed our appreciation for all the courtesies shown and then said that Big Creek was working out a unique experiment. I quoted the old nursery rhyme: "Humpty-Dumpty" and said that for generations we had made religion a Humpty-Dumpty by breaking its unity into many, many fragments. We had too long taken for granted that "all the king's horses and all the king's men couldn't put Humpty-Dumpty (of religion) together again." But now we were going to attempt the hitherto impossible. And the seemingly impossible should give us all a thrill and serve as a real challenge. We have been living in a POLITICAL democracy of freedom but we have made it a RELIGIOUS anarchy of chaos. Instead of uniting on the essentials we have divided on the non-essentials. We get along with each other in our everyday life, let's make religion an everyday thing! Let's take our motto: "In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, freedom; in all things, charity." Our constitution guarantees to all freedom of thought and conscience—let us make it function in the religious life of our community. When we do this, Protestant and Catholic; Jew and Gentile; Believer and Non-Believer will work together for the good of all and in the last analysis the cause of our Master will be furthered. Let's stress positives and thus overcome "evil with good." My address was followed by a delightful hour and refreshments. The evening was made the lovlier by the gift of a large quantity of flowers from the Fresno Congregational Church. We feel indeed their great interest in us!

I have been taking the advice of our superintendent when he said: "Don't push things too hard at first." His thought was that if I could create the impulse that the suggestion would come from the people voluntarily. The first two weeks we did not have evening services but quite a few asked for them so we started them the third week. I am planning on something special the last Sunday night of each month. March 29 I gave a sermon-lecture on the "Navajo Indians" and dressed Mrs. Stark in Navajo costume. Althought the night was one of the worst I have ever experienced 82 were present for the service.—L. A. Stark.

Influence of a Christmas Box

The Deo Juvante Circle of Stockton Church, a group of young women, is especially interested in the work of Dr. Alma Locke Cooke at Lintsing. In response to a Christmas Box and cash sent to Lintsing Dr. Cooke writes:

"The money which the Circle collected from the members of the church paid for the decorations and for three extra fine meals for the patients on Christmas Day, as well as for candy which we gave them—and we have some remaining to pay the expenses of patients that need hospital care and can't pay for it themselves. Later in the morning we distributed the gifts, the dolls, the bunnies, the scrap books to the children, and the tooth brushes, paste and powder to the older ones. Such happiness as reigned in the ward that morning! We told them of the friends in America that had sent the things to them because they loved them, though they had never seen them, and with one accord the children said, "Please tell them thank you for us." . . . . And I am sure that the Christmas message which we had given them in the morning service and in the prayer services for several mornings before, really meant something to them, because you had acted it out toward them in deeds." C. H.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL OF RELIGION AT BERKELEY, JUNE 22 TO JULY 31, 1925

Under the joint direction of the School for Christian Service and Deaconess Training School of the Pacific, the Westminster School for Training in Christian Social Service, the San Francisco National Training School for Christian Service Preparation; with the co-operation of the Pacific School of Religion, the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, the Church Divinity School of the Pacific and the San Francisco Theological Seminary.

Courses will be given in the following subjects: Theory and Principles of Religious Education, Religious Psychology, Methods and Procedure of Teaching, Old Testament History, The Prophets, New Testament Environment, Story of the Life of Jesus, The Teachings of Jesus, The Primary Department Methods, The Junior Department Methods, Story-Telling, Worship, Pageantry and Dramatics, Girl Leadership.

The following special lectures will be given in the evenings: Typical Experiments in Week-day Church Schools, Church, School Administration, Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Modern Religious Education, The Leadership of Youth, Pageantry, Story-telling.

A more detailed schedule will be published soon.

The time of the school corresponds to the time of the summer session of the University of California. It is hoped that some of the faculty of the University Summer Session may be secured for evening lectures. Many interesting lectures and entertainments in connection with the University are always open to the public.

The Summer School of Religion has been specially planned for those who have University training or experience in teaching and who desire to train themselves to teach in the coming Week-day Church Schools. The courses given will, however, be of value to Church School teachers. There will be one hour a day devoted to the specialized curricula of the various denominations, led by denominational leaders.

The school will cover a period of six weeks but will be divided into three sessions. It is advisable that students who want credit for work done, arrange to stay for the whole period. By special arrangement, however, certificates will be given for work in any one of the three sessions. Students are advised not to register for less than two or more than four of the courses given in each session. Tuition for the six weeks, $15. Board and room may be secured in Berkeley for about $10 a week.

The following have consented to serve on the faculty and other names will be added: Miss Mable Lee Cooper, National Department of Religious Education of the Episcopal Church; Miss Laura Corlett, B. R., San Francisco National Training School; the Rev. Miles B. Fisher, D. D., Director of Religious Education, First Congregational Church, Berkeley; Miss Minnie A. Himrod, M. A., San Francisco National Training School; the Rev. Chester Carlton McCown, PhD., Pacific School of Religion; Miss Florence Lukens Newbold, National Extension Secretary of the Girls' Friendly Society; Miss Blanche Parks Ph.D., Berkeley Divinity School; the Rev. H. H. Powell, Ph.D., D.D., Dean of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific; Miss Margaret Tappan, M. A., San Francisco National Training School; the Rev. Richard M. Trelease, All Souls' Church, Berkeley; the Rev. Lloyd J. B. Tabor; the Rev. F. D. Graves.

The Committee in Charge: The Rev. John William Bailey, B.D., Ph.D., Berkeley Divinity School; the Rev. William Douglas Chamberlain, A.B., Th.B., M.A., Westminster School for Training in Christian Social Service; the Rev. R. S. Donaldson, D.D., Executive Secretary San Francisco Church Extension Board of Presbyterian Church; Rev. H. H. Frest, S.D., Trinity Methodist Church, Berkeley; Miss Minnie A. Himrod, M.A., San Francisco National Training School; Deaconess Anita Hodgkin, B.C.E., Dean of the School for Christian Service; Rev. George Tolover Tolson, A.M., B.D., Pacific School of Religion; Rev. B. D. Weigle, M.A., LLB., Director of Religious Education of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of California.

Committee on Faculty and Curriculum: The Rev. John William Bailey, B.D., Ph.D.; the Rev. William Douglas Chamberlain, Th.B., M.A.; Miss Laura Corlett, M.A.; the Rev. Miles B. Fisher, D.D.; Deaconess Anita Hodgkin, B.C.E.

Committee on General Arrangements: The Rev. George T. Tolson, A.M., B.D.; the Rev. Charles L. Duncan, B.D.; the Rev. Bert J. Morris, Ph.D.; Deaconess Louise M. Saunders, B.C.E.; the Rev. Stacy R. Warburton.

Committee on Promotion: The Rev. B. D. Weigle, M.A., LLB.; the Rev. R. S. Donaldson, D.D.; the Rev. O. H. Langdon, D.D.; the Rev. W. J. Minchin, D.D.; the Rev. M. L. Thomas, D.D.

APPORTIONMENT RECEIPTS

	1924	1925
January 10-31	$ 425.75	$ 682.00
February 1-28	2,568.46	2,894.24
March 1-31	2,923.42	3,542.70

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

March 1st—31st 1925

Bay Point	$ 117.00	
Berkeley, Park	32.65	
Berkeley, No.	251.05	
Crockett	37.50	
Fairfax	12.00	
Fresno, 1st	113.52	
Grass Valley	17.01	
Oakland, 1st	219.69	
Oakland, Calvary	93.30	
Oakland, Fruitvale	25.00	
Oakland, Plymouth	396.95	
Oakland, Boulevard	15.00	
Pacific Grove	31.25	
Petaluma	91.00	
Porterville	25.00	
Sacramento	181.00	
San Francisco, 1st	500.00	
" " Bethany	50.00	
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CHURCH NEWS

Stockton—On a recent Sunday evening Mr. White welcomed to his pulpit his old friend, the Rev. H. J. Loken. Mr. Loken told of the Community church movement as it is being worked out in California, notably in Atascadero. The speaker showed very conclusively that the Gospel can be preached in smaller cities in a more practical manner through the community church than it can with churches of several denominations trying to hold the field.

The Six Weeks' Symposium on the Race Questoin which began with the opening of Lent is progressing in an exceptionally fine manner. Dr. Hinman has won the hearts of our people in his presentation of the subject. His leadership of the discussion group begins on Sunday evening at seven o'clock. The second period opens at eight o'clock with special speakers assigned for the several evenings. On the closing night which will be April fifth, the young people will present the play "Color Blind."

The organization of the new church building committee has been effected with Rev. J. W. Gealey as chairman, Mr. A. F. Roberts as vice chairman, and Mr. E. P. Liesy as secretary.

During Holy week there will be a service every morning in the church commencing at seven-thirty o'clock and lasting for twenty minutes. The theme of the meetings will be the events of the last days in the life of Christ. On the Thursday night there will be a communion service at which time new members will be welcomed into the membership.

The women of the church are continually planning events of interest. The Pomona Glee Club will appear under the auspices of the missionary society, with the valuable aid of the College Group Christian Endeavor Society. On a recent afternoon the ladies sponsored a dramatic recital given by Mrs. Anna Belle Loken. Mrs. Loken read "The Hour Glass" by Keats. Churches looking for programs of that type would do well to secure Mrs. Loken. Her rendition was altogether beautiful.

Berkeley, North—A most delightful Sunday evening program was enjoyed by a group overcrowding the church on the evening of March 29 when the Pomona College Women's Glee Club gave a sacred program. The Club ranks among the best women's glee clubs in southern California. It has grown in popularity both in the college and without, as witnessed by the fact that the Club is participating more than ever in college activities and by the fact that in 1918-19 the Club gave seven concerts; in 1923-24 it gave thirty concerts, and up to the time of this tour the Club will have appeared thirty-one times this season.

The Club has two programs in readiness—a secular and a sacred program. All numbers on both programs are done entirely from memory and some are sung without any piano accompaniment. Another interesting feature is that the Club sings without any direction from the leader during the concert.

San Leandro, Broadmoor — The Men's Club of the Broadmoor Community Church, recently organized under the direction of Rev. E. T. Sherman, gives promise of becoming an important factor in the community life. Dr. John Snape of Oakland addressed the meeting which was recently held at the church parlors.

More than forty men signified their intention of becoming members and were granted membership at the initial meeting. This group has been divided into ten teams each with a captain who is responsible for the attendance of the members under his command. It is the intention of the pastor to increase the membership to 100 at once and an intensive campaign for members has been launched.

The following officers were elected: L. B. Stagner, president; G. E. Mortensen, vice president; Ernest B. Pye, secretary, and R. A. Williams, treasurer.

The executive committee met on Monday evening, March 23th, to plan the next general meeting.

Following the Mission Study Classes thirty persons signed up to form a Missionary Society. As the Society is to meet in the evenings a number of men were interested enough to join. The officers elected are as follows:

President, Mrs. E. B. Kientz; vice-president, Mr. P. S. Oakeshott; secretary, Mrs. E. T. Sherman; treasurer, Mr. M. B. Reynolds.

Oakland, Olivet—"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Rev. J. Vincent Jones is putting this thought into good practice in his church community. Not only is he preaching splendid and inspiring sermons and making personal calls, but he is using a talent dormant during the many years he has been serving as pastor of larger churches.

As a young man he learned cabinet work, evidently showing marked skill. Olivet church was in need of many repairs. Mr. Jones realizing this, thought of changes which he knew would add to the usefulness and comfort of the building. He has practically rebuilt the interior of the church and his followers point with pride to the choir loft, the oak pulpit and installation of pews. The woodwork is painted a restful green and Mr. Jones has built a stage in the Sunday school room, where entertainments can be held, keeping unsullied the dignity of the church auditorium.

The community as a whole notices with pride the space in front of the church building changed from an unsightly sand lot, overgrown with weeds, to a beautiful little park of lawn, trees, flowering shrubs and blossoming borders.

His sowing should reap a bounteous harvest.

San Jose—The Fiftieth Anniversary of the church is to be celebrated during this month and the first part of May. The plans as they exist at present are as follows: Sunday, April 12—Easter Sunday, Anniversary of first public service held by Congregationalists in San Jose. (Prior to that time the group worshipped with the Presbyterians). April 19, Church School Day—celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Sunday School; April 26th—the Anniversary Sermon by the Pastor, Rev. F. W. Morrison. May 1, the Birthday Dinner at the Church. Rev. Mahlon Willett, pastor, 1876-1880 and Rev. Chas. W. Hill, pastor 1884-1891 and others will be on the program; May 2, Birthday Party for the girls and boys at Mrs. Wagner's home. May 3, Anniversary Service. Sermon by Dr. Willett, pastor of the church within one year and a half of its organization. At 6 o'clock a Sunset Communion Service with Mr. Willett and Mr. Hill assisting at the table.

Oakland, Plymouth—Holy Week has been observed with fitting services. On the Wednesday evening preceding Easter the Oratorio, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," by Dubois, was given under the direction of Signor Solis, with orchestra of twelve pieces and a choir of forty voices. This oratorio was arranged in conjunction with the Universalist Church of which Rev. B. C. Ruggles is pastor.

At the last meeting of Men-of-Plymouth the movement for the erection of a Plymouth Cabin at the Boy Scout Camp was launched. A committee consisting of C. U. Martin, H. H. Sack and H. B. Henderson was appointed to report at the next meeting. It is possible that the meeting will be held at the Scout Camp so that Plymouth men may be face to face with the opportunity. The probable cost is about two hundred dollars, if Plymouth men will lend a hand. Scoutmaster Wilkinson is an architect and contractor so under his able direction an attractive cabin can be built at a minimum cost. "Let's go" with and for our Plymouth boys!

Plymouth is to have a band of Boy Pioneers. The Pioneer movement conceived by George E. Keneipp, the Scout executive of Piedmont, provides for the enlistment of boys from nine to twelve years. The pioneer program aims to prepare younger boys to become full-fledged members of the Boy Scouts of America. The Plymouth Pioneers will be under the direction of a Council composed of the following men: M. C. Frank, Harry Lange J. G. Marshall and Fred Morrow. The active leadership will be in the hands of three Eagle Scouts, Richard Buss David Hatchell and Loyd Miller.

Oroville—The church celebrated its 50th anniversary on February 19th. The Jubilee dinner was attended by 170 members and friends of the congregation. The history of the church was recounted in addresses by various members. A letter from Rev. Mr. Seymour, first pastor, told how Oroville had 100 saloons fifty years ago, but no building for the church, and worship was conducted under an oak tree. A representative of the Chamber of Commerce spoke at the dinner, promising cooperation in promoting religious activities. Rev. W. J. Johnson, pastor, received congratulations and many expressions of appreciation of his work.

Lodi—The thirtieth anniversary of the ordination of Rev. C. H. Stevens as a minister of the gospel was celebrated by the church Sunday, March 15. The girls were in charge of the Sunday School and secured a record attendance of 263. The room was beautifully decorated with flowers. Mrs. Putnam rendered selections upon the harp which were enjoyed by old and young.

In the evening Dr. John L. Burcham, vice-president of the College of the Pacific and an old-time friend of Mr. Stevens', delivered the address. A male quartet, also from the College of Pacific gave several beautiful selections.

The church building is being renovated and redecorated and it is planned to have all improvements completed by Easter Sunday.

Guerneville — Recently a Girls Reserve Club has been organized as the result of the efforts of a group of women in the church and the earnestness of the girls. Mrs. Weage was chosen to attend the Girls Reserve Conference at Asilomar several weeks ago and upon her return immediate steps were taken to organize the girls' Club. The organization has a membership of twenty-four girls and as a result of the community interest in the new movement, friends have papered and painted the basement of the church known as the Guild Hall, and several others have signified their desire to become members of the church in order that they may qualify as directors of the reserve.

Concerning the new undertaking, the pastor, Rev. E. D. Weage writes: "It is a new movement in our experience but we are hoping that it may prove helpful not only in an ordinary social way but also in direct character-building and along spiritual lines, though in a different manner from that of the Endeavor work."

Benicia—A financial campaign has just been complete, netting $3500 for renovation and additional accommodation. This has been a quiet campaign extending over a period of about three months. Over its long history of sixty years the Benicia church has made many friends and the growth of the bay cities has attracted many Benicia citizens away. These friends have not forgotten the old home church, and, under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blanchard of Berkeley, have contributed over five hundred dollars. The people of the town, other than church members, responded very generously and seem anxious to have the church building made in appearance, worthy of its place in the town.

Rev. T. Davis Preston, the pastor, reports that as a result of the campaign there has been a renewed interest in the work, and thinks that with the accomplishment of the task the church will enter upon a new era of usefulness in the life of this historic town, first State Capitol, and home of the first Protestant church in the State.

The supreme opportunity of the Benicia church is with the young people who are being gradually won to its life and service.

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